
HOUSE BILL No. 1815

DIGEST OF INTRODUCED BILL

Citations Affected: IC 20-12; IC 23-13-18.5.

Synopsis: Diversity commissions at state universities. Creates a diversity commission at each state educational institution to: (1) review and approve employment policies concerning diversity; (2) hear faculty and administration personnel complaints concerning diversity; and (3) make recommendations to promote and maintain cultural diversity among faculty members of state educational institutions. Requires the commission to submit a report to the governor and legislative council annually.

Effective: July 1, 2005.

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January 19, 2005, read first time and referred to Committee on Education.

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HOUSE BILL No. 1815

A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning education.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

1 SECTION 1. IC 20-12-23.5 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE
2 AS A **NEW** CHAPTER TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
3 JULY 1, 2005]:

4 **Chapter 23.5. Indiana University Diversity Commission**

5 **Sec. 1. As used in this chapter, "commission" refers to the**
6 **Indiana University diversity commission established by section 2**
7 **of this chapter.**

8 **Sec. 2. The Indiana University diversity commission is**
9 **established.**

10 **Sec. 3. The commission shall do the following for Indiana**
11 **University:**

12 (1) **Review and approve faculty employment policies**
13 **concerning diversity issues.**

14 (2) **Hear faculty and administration personnel complaints**
15 **concerning diversity issues.**

16 (3) **Make recommendations to promote and maintain cultural**
17 **diversity among faculty members.**



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1 **Sec. 4. (a) The commission consists of the following seventeen**
 2 **(17) members appointed by the governor:**

3 **(1) Four (4) members of the house of representatives, to be**
 4 **appointed on recommendation of the speaker of the house of**
 5 **representatives. Not more than two (2) members appointed**
 6 **under this subdivision may be members of the same political**
 7 **party. Two (2) members appointed under this subdivision**
 8 **must be members of the Indiana Black Legislative Caucus.**

9 **(2) Four (4) members of the senate, to be appointed on**
 10 **recommendation of the president pro tempore of the senate.**
 11 **Not more than two (2) members appointed under this**
 12 **subdivision may be members of the same political party. Two**
 13 **(2) members appointed under this subdivision must be**
 14 **members of the Indiana Black Legislative Caucus.**

15 **(3) The governor or the governor's designee.**

16 **(4) Four (4) members of the faculty of Indiana University who**
 17 **hold the rank of assistant professor or higher.**

18 **(5) Two (2) members who are alumni of Indiana University.**

19 **(6) Two (2) members who represent organizations whose**
 20 **objectives include promoting cultural diversity.**

21 **(b) Vacancies shall be filled by the governor for the remainder**
 22 **of the unexpired term.**

23 **(c) Each member of the commission serves at the governor's**
 24 **pleasure.**

25 **(d) Each member of the commission who is a member of the**
 26 **general assembly is a nonvoting member.**

27 **Sec. 5. The governor or the governor's designee is the**
 28 **chairperson of the commission.**

29 **Sec. 6. The department of education shall staff the commission.**

30 **Sec. 7. The commission shall meet on call of the chairperson and**
 31 **at other times that the commission determines.**

32 **Sec. 8. Nine (9) members of the commission constitute a**
 33 **quorum. The affirmative votes of at least nine (9) voting members**
 34 **of the commission are required for the commission to take final**
 35 **action, including annual reports.**

36 **Sec. 9. The commission shall issue an annual report stating the**
 37 **findings, conclusions, and recommendations of the commission.**
 38 **The commission shall submit the report to the governor and the**
 39 **legislative council. A report submitted under this section to the**
 40 **legislative council must be in an electronic format under IC 5-14-6.**

41 **Sec. 10. Except as provided in section 13 of this chapter, the**
 42 **expenses of the commission shall be paid from money appropriated**

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1 to the department of education.

2 Sec. 11. Each member of the commission who is not a state
3 employee is entitled to the minimum salary per diem provided by
4 IC 4-10-11-2.1(b). The member is also entitled to reimbursement
5 for traveling expenses as provided under IC 4-13-1-4 and other
6 expenses actually incurred in connection with the member's duties
7 as provided in the state policies and procedures established by the
8 Indiana department of administration and approved by the budget
9 agency.

10 Sec. 12. Each member of the commission who is a state
11 employee but who is not a member of the general assembly is
12 entitled to reimbursement for traveling expenses as provided under
13 IC 4-13-1-4 and other expenses actually incurred in connection
14 with the member's duties as provided in the state policies and
15 procedures established by the Indiana department of
16 administration and approved by the budget agency.

17 Sec. 13. Each member of the commission who is a member of the
18 general assembly is entitled to receive the same per diem, mileage,
19 and travel allowances paid to legislative members of interim study
20 committees established by the legislative council. Per diem,
21 mileage, and travel allowances paid under this section shall be paid
22 from appropriations made to the legislative council or the
23 legislative services agency.

24 SECTION 2. IC 20-12-36.5 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE
25 AS A NEW CHAPTER TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
26 JULY 1, 2005]:

27 **Chapter 36.5. Purdue University Diversity Commission**

28 Sec. 1. As used in this chapter, "commission" refers to the
29 Purdue University diversity commission established by section 2 of
30 this chapter.

31 Sec. 2. The Purdue University diversity commission is
32 established.

33 Sec. 3. The commission shall do the following for Purdue
34 University:

- 35 (1) Review and approve faculty employment policies
- 36 concerning diversity issues.
- 37 (2) Hear faculty and administration personnel complaints
- 38 concerning diversity issues.
- 39 (3) Make recommendations to promote and maintain cultural
- 40 diversity among faculty members.

41 Sec. 4. (a) The commission consists of the following seventeen
42 (17) members appointed by the governor:

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(1) Four (4) members of the house of representatives, to be appointed on recommendation of the speaker of the house of representatives. Not more than two (2) members appointed under this subdivision may be members of the same political party. Two (2) members appointed under this subdivision must be members of the Indiana Black Legislative Caucus.

(2) Four (4) members of the senate, to be appointed on recommendation of the president pro tempore of the senate. Not more than two (2) members appointed under this subdivision may be members of the same political party. Two (2) members appointed under this subdivision must be members of the Indiana Black Legislative Caucus.

(3) The governor or the governor's designee.

(4) Four (4) members of the faculty of Purdue University who hold the rank of assistant professor or higher.

(5) Two (2) members who are alumni of Purdue University.

(6) Two (2) members who represent organizations whose objectives include promoting cultural diversity.

(b) Vacancies shall be filled by the governor for the remainder of the unexpired term.

(c) Each member of the commission serves at the governor's pleasure.

(d) Each member of the commission who is a member of the general assembly is a nonvoting member.

Sec. 5. The governor or the governor's designee is the chairperson of the commission.

Sec. 6. The department of education shall staff the commission.

Sec. 7. The commission shall meet on call of the chairperson and at other times that the commission determines.

Sec. 8. Nine (9) members of the commission constitute a quorum. The affirmative votes of at least nine (9) voting members of the commission are required for the commission to take final action, including annual reports.

Sec. 9. The commission shall issue an annual report stating the findings, conclusions, and recommendations of the commission. The commission shall submit the report to the governor and the legislative council. A report submitted under this section to the legislative council must be in an electronic format under IC 5-14-6.

Sec. 10. Except as provided in section 13 of this chapter, the expenses of the commission shall be paid from money appropriated to the department of education.

Sec. 11. Each member of the commission who is not a state

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employee is entitled to the minimum salary per diem provided by IC 4-10-11-2.1(b). The member is also entitled to reimbursement for traveling expenses as provided under IC 4-13-1-4 and other expenses actually incurred in connection with the member's duties as provided in the state policies and procedures established by the Indiana department of administration and approved by the budget agency.

Sec. 12. Each member of the commission who is a state employee but who is not a member of the general assembly is entitled to reimbursement for traveling expenses as provided under IC 4-13-1-4 and other expenses actually incurred in connection with the member's duties as provided in the state policies and procedures established by the Indiana department of administration and approved by the budget agency.

Sec. 13. Each member of the commission who is a member of the general assembly is entitled to receive the same per diem, mileage, and travel allowances paid to legislative members of interim study committees established by the legislative council. Per diem, mileage, and travel allowances paid under this section shall be paid from appropriations made to the legislative council or the legislative services agency.

SECTION 3. IC 20-12-56.5 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS A NEW CHAPTER TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2005]:

Chapter 56.5. Indiana State University Diversity Commission

Sec. 1. As used in this chapter, "commission" refers to the Indiana State University diversity commission established by section 2 of this chapter.

Sec. 2. The Indiana State University diversity commission is established.

Sec. 3. The commission shall do the following for Indiana State University:

- (1) Review and approve faculty employment policies concerning diversity issues.
- (2) Hear faculty and administration personnel complaints concerning diversity issues.
- (3) Make recommendations to promote and maintain cultural diversity among faculty members.

Sec. 4. (a) The commission consists of the following seventeen (17) members appointed by the governor:

- (1) Four (4) members of the house of representatives, to be appointed on recommendation of the speaker of the house of

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representatives. Not more than two (2) members appointed under this subdivision may be members of the same political party. Two (2) members appointed under this subdivision must be members of the Indiana Black Legislative Caucus.

(2) Four (4) members of the senate, to be appointed on recommendation of the president pro tempore of the senate. Not more than two (2) members appointed under this subdivision may be members of the same political party. Two (2) members appointed under this subdivision must be members of the Indiana Black Legislative Caucus.

(3) The governor or the governor's designee.

(4) Four (4) members of the faculty of Indiana State University who hold the rank of assistant professor or higher.

(5) Two (2) members who are alumni of Indiana State University.

(6) Two (2) members who represent organizations whose objectives include promoting cultural diversity.

(b) Vacancies shall be filled by the governor for the remainder of the unexpired term.

(c) Each member of the commission serves at the governor's pleasure.

(d) Each member of the commission who is a member of the general assembly is a nonvoting member.

Sec. 5. The governor or the governor's designee is the chairperson of the commission.

Sec. 6. The department of education shall staff the commission.

Sec. 7. The commission shall meet on call of the chairperson and at other times that the commission determines.

Sec. 8. Nine (9) members of the commission constitute a quorum. The affirmative votes of at least nine (9) voting members of the commission are required for the commission to take final action, including annual reports.

Sec. 9. The commission shall issue an annual report stating the findings, conclusions, and recommendations of the commission. The commission shall submit the report to the governor and the legislative council. A report submitted under this section to the legislative council must be in an electronic format under IC 5-14-6.

Sec. 10. Except as provided in section 13 of this chapter, the expenses of the commission shall be paid from money appropriated to the department of education.

Sec. 11. Each member of the commission who is not a state employee is entitled to the minimum salary per diem provided by

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IC 4-10-11-2.1(b). The member is also entitled to reimbursement for traveling expenses as provided under IC 4-13-1-4 and other expenses actually incurred in connection with the member's duties as provided in the state policies and procedures established by the Indiana department of administration and approved by the budget agency.

Sec. 12. Each member of the commission who is a state employee but who is not a member of the general assembly is entitled to reimbursement for traveling expenses as provided under IC 4-13-1-4 and other expenses actually incurred in connection with the member's duties as provided in the state policies and procedures established by the Indiana department of administration and approved by the budget agency.

Sec. 13. Each member of the commission who is a member of the general assembly is entitled to receive the same per diem, mileage, and travel allowances paid to legislative members of interim study committees established by the legislative council. Per diem, mileage, and travel allowances paid under this section shall be paid from appropriations made to the legislative council or the legislative services agency.

SECTION 4. IC 20-12-58.5 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS A NEW CHAPTER TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2005]:

Chapter 58.5. Ball State University Diversity Commission

Sec. 1. As used in this chapter, "commission" refers to the Ball State University diversity commission established by section 2 of this chapter.

Sec. 2. The Ball State University diversity commission is established.

Sec. 3. The commission shall do the following for Ball State University:

- (1) Review and approve faculty employment policies concerning diversity issues.
- (2) Hear faculty and administration personnel complaints concerning diversity issues.
- (3) Make recommendations to promote and maintain cultural diversity among faculty members.

Sec. 4. (a) The commission consists of the following seventeen (17) members appointed by the governor:

- (1) Four (4) members of the house of representatives, to be appointed on recommendation of the speaker of the house of representatives. Not more than two (2) members appointed

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under this subdivision may be members of the same political party. Two (2) members appointed under this subdivision must be members of the Indiana Black Legislative Caucus.

(2) Four (4) members of the senate, to be appointed on recommendation of the president pro tempore of the senate. Not more than two (2) members appointed under this subdivision may be members of the same political party. Two (2) members appointed under this subdivision must be members of the Indiana Black Legislative Caucus.

(3) The governor or the governor's designee.

(4) Four (4) members of the faculty of Ball State University who hold the rank of assistant professor or higher.

(5) Two (2) members who are alumni of Ball State University.

(6) Two (2) members who represent organizations whose objectives include promoting cultural diversity.

(b) Vacancies shall be filled by the governor for the remainder of the unexpired term.

(c) Each member of the commission serves at the governor's pleasure.

(d) Each member of the commission who is a member of the general assembly is a nonvoting member.

Sec. 5. The governor or the governor's designee is the chairperson of the commission.

Sec. 6. The department of education shall staff the commission.

Sec. 7. The commission shall meet on call of the chairperson and at other times that the commission determines.

Sec. 8. Nine (9) members of the commission constitute a quorum. The affirmative votes of at least nine (9) voting members of the commission are required for the commission to take final action, including annual reports.

Sec. 9. The commission shall issue an annual report stating the findings, conclusions, and recommendations of the commission. The commission shall submit the report to the governor and the legislative council. A report submitted under this section to the legislative council must be in an electronic format under IC 5-14-6.

Sec. 10. Except as provided in section 13 of this chapter, the expenses of the commission shall be paid from money appropriated to the department of education.

Sec. 11. Each member of the commission who is not a state employee is entitled to the minimum salary per diem provided by IC 4-10-11-2.1(b). The member is also entitled to reimbursement for traveling expenses as provided under IC 4-13-1-4 and other

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1 expenses actually incurred in connection with the member's duties
 2 as provided in the state policies and procedures established by the
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5 Sec. 12. Each member of the commission who is a state
 6 employee but who is not a member of the general assembly is
 7 entitled to reimbursement for traveling expenses as provided under
 8 IC 4-13-1-4 and other expenses actually incurred in connection
 9 with the member's duties as provided in the state policies and
 10 procedures established by the Indiana department of
 11 administration and approved by the budget agency.

12 Sec. 13. Each member of the commission who is a member of the
 13 general assembly is entitled to receive the same per diem, mileage,
 14 and travel allowances paid to legislative members of interim study
 15 committees established by the legislative council. Per diem,
 16 mileage, and travel allowances paid under this section shall be paid
 17 from appropriations made to the legislative council or the
 18 legislative services agency.

19 SECTION 5. IC 20-12-61.5 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE
 20 AS A NEW CHAPTER TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
 21 JULY 1, 2005]:

22 **Chapter 61.5. Ivy Tech State College Diversity Commission**

23 Sec. 1. As used in this chapter, "commission" refers to the Ivy
 24 Tech State College diversity commission established by section 2 of
 25 this chapter.

26 Sec. 2. The Ivy Tech State College diversity commission is
 27 established.

28 Sec. 3. The commission shall do the following for Ivy Tech State
 29 College:

- 30 (1) Review and approve faculty employment policies
- 31 concerning diversity issues.
- 32 (2) Hear faculty and administration personnel complaints
- 33 concerning diversity issues.
- 34 (3) Make recommendations to promote and maintain cultural
- 35 diversity among faculty members.

36 Sec. 4. (a) The commission consists of the following seventeen
 37 (17) members appointed by the governor:

- 38 (1) Four (4) members of the house of representatives, to be
- 39 appointed on recommendation of the speaker of the house of
- 40 representatives. Not more than two (2) members appointed
- 41 under this subdivision may be members of the same political
- 42 party. Two (2) members appointed under this subdivision

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1 must be members of the Indiana Black Legislative Caucus.

2 (2) Four (4) members of the senate, to be appointed on
3 recommendation of the president pro tempore of the senate.
4 Not more than two (2) members appointed under this
5 subdivision may be members of the same political party. Two
6 (2) members appointed under this subdivision must be
7 members of the Indiana Black Legislative Caucus.

8 (3) The governor or the governor's designee.

9 (4) Four (4) members of the faculty of Ivy Tech State College
10 who hold the rank of assistant professor or higher.

11 (5) Two (2) members who are alumni of Ivy Tech State
12 College.

13 (6) Two (2) members who represent organizations whose
14 objectives include promoting cultural diversity.

15 (b) Vacancies shall be filled by the governor for the remainder
16 of the unexpired term.

17 (c) Each member of the commission serves at the governor's
18 pleasure.

19 (d) Each member of the commission who is a member of the
20 general assembly is a nonvoting member.

21 Sec. 5. The governor or the governor's designee is the
22 chairperson of the commission.

23 Sec. 6. The department of education shall staff the commission.

24 Sec. 7. The commission shall meet on call of the chairperson and
25 at other times that the commission determines.

26 Sec. 8. Nine (9) members of the commission constitute a
27 quorum. The affirmative votes of at least nine (9) voting members
28 of the commission are required for the commission to take final
29 action, including annual reports.

30 Sec. 9. The commission shall issue an annual report stating the
31 findings, conclusions, and recommendations of the commission.
32 The commission shall submit the report to the governor and the
33 legislative council. A report submitted under this section to the
34 legislative council must be in an electronic format under IC 5-14-6.

35 Sec. 10. Except as provided in section 13 of this chapter, the
36 expenses of the commission shall be paid from money appropriated
37 to the department of education.

38 Sec. 11. Each member of the commission who is not a state
39 employee is entitled to the minimum salary per diem provided by
40 IC 4-10-11-2.1(b). The member is also entitled to reimbursement
41 for traveling expenses as provided under IC 4-13-1-4 and other
42 expenses actually incurred in connection with the member's duties

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as provided in the state policies and procedures established by the Indiana department of administration and approved by the budget agency.

Sec. 12. Each member of the commission who is a state employee but who is not a member of the general assembly is entitled to reimbursement for traveling expenses as provided under IC 4-13-1-4 and other expenses actually incurred in connection with the member's duties as provided in the state policies and procedures established by the Indiana department of administration and approved by the budget agency.

Sec. 13. Each member of the commission who is a member of the general assembly is entitled to receive the same per diem, mileage, and travel allowances paid to legislative members of interim study committees established by the legislative council. Per diem, mileage, and travel allowances paid under this section shall be paid from appropriations made to the legislative council or the legislative services agency.

SECTION 6. IC 20-12-64.5 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS A NEW CHAPTER TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2005]:

Chapter 64.5. University of Southern Indiana Diversity Commission

Sec. 1. As used in this chapter, "commission" refers to the University of Southern Indiana diversity commission established by section 2 of this chapter.

Sec. 2. The University of Southern Indiana diversity commission is established.

Sec. 3. The commission shall do the following for the University of Southern Indiana:

- (1) Review and approve faculty employment policies concerning diversity issues.
- (2) Hear faculty and administration personnel complaints concerning diversity issues.
- (3) Make recommendations to promote and maintain cultural diversity among faculty members.

Sec. 4. (a) The commission consists of the following seventeen (17) members appointed by the governor:

- (1) Four (4) members of the house of representatives, to be appointed on recommendation of the speaker of the house of representatives. Not more than two (2) members appointed under this subdivision may be members of the same political party. Two (2) members appointed under this subdivision

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1 must be members of the Indiana Black Legislative Caucus.

2 (2) Four (4) members of the senate, to be appointed on
3 recommendation of the president pro tempore of the senate.
4 Not more than two (2) members appointed under this
5 subdivision may be members of the same political party. Two
6 (2) members appointed under this subdivision must be
7 members of the Indiana Black Legislative Caucus.

8 (3) The governor or the governor's designee.

9 (4) Four (4) members of the faculty of the University of
10 Southern Indiana who hold the rank of assistant professor or
11 higher.

12 (5) Two (2) members who are alumni of the University of
13 Southern Indiana.

14 (6) Two (2) members who represent organizations whose
15 objectives include promoting cultural diversity.

16 (b) Vacancies shall be filled by the governor for the remainder
17 of the unexpired term.

18 (c) Each member of the commission serves at the governor's
19 pleasure.

20 (d) Each member of the commission who is a member of the
21 general assembly is a nonvoting member.

22 Sec. 5. The governor or the governor's designee is the
23 chairperson of the commission.

24 Sec. 6. The department of education shall staff the commission.

25 Sec. 7. The commission shall meet on call of the chairperson and
26 at other times that the commission determines.

27 Sec. 8. Nine (9) members of the commission constitute a
28 quorum. The affirmative votes of at least nine (9) voting members
29 of the commission are required for the commission to take final
30 action, including annual reports.

31 Sec. 9. The commission shall issue an annual report stating the
32 findings, conclusions, and recommendations of the commission.
33 The commission shall submit the report to the governor and the
34 legislative council. A report submitted under this section to the
35 legislative council must be in an electronic format under IC 5-14-6.

36 Sec. 10. Except as provided in section 13 of this chapter, the
37 expenses of the commission shall be paid from money appropriated
38 to the department of education.

39 Sec. 11. Each member of the commission who is not a state
40 employee is entitled to the minimum salary per diem provided by
41 IC 4-10-11-2.1(b). The member is also entitled to reimbursement
42 for traveling expenses as provided under IC 4-13-1-4 and other

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1 expenses actually incurred in connection with the member's duties
 2 as provided in the state policies and procedures established by the
 3 Indiana department of administration and approved by the budget
 4 agency.

5 Sec. 12. Each member of the commission who is a state
 6 employee but who is not a member of the general assembly is
 7 entitled to reimbursement for traveling expenses as provided under
 8 IC 4-13-1-4 and other expenses actually incurred in connection
 9 with the member's duties as provided in the state policies and
 10 procedures established by the Indiana department of
 11 administration and approved by the budget agency.

12 Sec. 13. Each member of the commission who is a member of the
 13 general assembly is entitled to receive the same per diem, mileage,
 14 and travel allowances paid to legislative members of interim study
 15 committees established by the legislative council. Per diem,
 16 mileage, and travel allowances paid under this section shall be paid
 17 from appropriations made to the legislative council or the
 18 legislative services agency.

19 SECTION 7. IC 23-13-18.5 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE
 20 AS A NEW CHAPTER TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
 21 JULY 1, 2005]:

22 **Chapter 18.5. Vincennes University Diversity Commission**

23 Sec. 1. As used in this chapter, "commission" refers to the
 24 Vincennes University diversity commission established by section
 25 2 of this chapter.

26 Sec. 2. The Vincennes University diversity commission is
 27 established.

28 Sec. 3. The commission shall do the following for Vincennes
 29 University:

- 30 (1) Review and approve faculty employment policies
- 31 concerning diversity issues.
- 32 (2) Hear faculty and administration personnel complaints
- 33 concerning diversity issues.
- 34 (3) Make recommendations to promote and maintain cultural
- 35 diversity among faculty members.

36 Sec. 4. (a) The commission consists of the following seventeen
 37 (17) members appointed by the governor:

- 38 (1) Four (4) members of the house of representatives, to be
- 39 appointed on recommendation of the speaker of the house of
- 40 representatives. Not more than two (2) members appointed
- 41 under this subdivision may be members of the same political
- 42 party. Two (2) members appointed under this subdivision

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1 must be members of the Indiana Black Legislative Caucus.

2 (2) Four (4) members of the senate, to be appointed on
3 recommendation of the president pro tempore of the senate.
4 Not more than two (2) members appointed under this
5 subdivision may be members of the same political party. Two
6 (2) members appointed under this subdivision must be
7 members of the Indiana Black Legislative Caucus.

8 (3) The governor or the governor's designee.

9 (4) Four (4) members of the faculty of Vincennes University
10 who hold the rank of assistant professor or higher.

11 (5) Two (2) members who are alumni of Vincennes University.

12 (6) Two (2) members who represent organizations whose
13 objectives include promoting cultural diversity.

14 (b) Vacancies shall be filled by the governor for the remainder
15 of the unexpired term.

16 (c) Each member of the commission serves at the governor's
17 pleasure.

18 (d) Each member of the commission who is a member of the
19 general assembly is a nonvoting member.

20 Sec. 5. The governor or the governor's designee is the
21 chairperson of the commission.

22 Sec. 6. The department of education shall staff the commission.

23 Sec. 7. The commission shall meet on call of the chairperson and
24 at other times that the commission determines.

25 Sec. 8. Nine (9) members of the commission constitute a
26 quorum. The affirmative votes of at least nine (9) voting members
27 of the commission are required for the commission to take final
28 action, including annual reports.

29 Sec. 9. The commission shall issue an annual report stating the
30 findings, conclusions, and recommendations of the commission.
31 The commission shall submit the report to the governor and the
32 legislative council. A report submitted under this section to the
33 legislative council must be in an electronic format under IC 5-14-6.

34 Sec. 10. Except as provided in section 13 of this chapter, the
35 expenses of the commission shall be paid from money appropriated
36 to the department of education.

37 Sec. 11. Each member of the commission who is not a state
38 employee is entitled to the minimum salary per diem provided by
39 IC 4-10-11-2.1(b). The member is also entitled to reimbursement
40 for traveling expenses as provided under IC 4-13-1-4 and other
41 expenses actually incurred in connection with the member's duties
42 as provided in the state policies and procedures established by the

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1 Indiana department of administration and approved by the budget
2 agency.

3 Sec. 12. Each member of the commission who is a state
4 employee but who is not a member of the general assembly is
5 entitled to reimbursement for traveling expenses as provided under
6 IC 4-13-1-4 and other expenses actually incurred in connection
7 with the member's duties as provided in the state policies and
8 procedures established by the Indiana department of
9 administration and approved by the budget agency.

10 Sec. 13. Each member of the commission who is a member of the
11 general assembly is entitled to receive the same per diem, mileage,
12 and travel allowances paid to legislative members of interim study
13 committees established by the legislative council. Per diem,
14 mileage, and travel allowances paid under this section shall be paid
15 from appropriations made to the legislative council or the
16 legislative services agency.

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